

God and her fighting spirit sustained her through the double mastectomy with reconstruction and chemotherapy treatments.

Ms. Dodd is a cancer survivor, as of February 4, 2021. Her desire is to help support other young women in their battle with breast cancer by sharing her story and her belief: "You Can Do This; We Can Do This Together!"

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Latania Dodd for her resilience and willpower despite obstacles such as breast cancer.

GWENDOLYN A. FAISON

**HON. DONALD NORCROSS**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Mr. NORCROSS. Madam Speaker, Gwendolyn A. Faison was a Clinton, North Carolina native, but has called Camden home for most of her life. A loving mother and grandmother, Faison dedicated her life to her family, city and her country.

Mayor Gwendolyn A. Faison retired with 27 years devoted to public service. Faison was first elected to the Camden City Council in 1983. Two years later she became a member of the Camden County Board of Commissioners, and in 1997 she would become the first female African-American Camden City Council President.

Mayor Faison's commitment to serving her city and country did not stop there. She would be elected as the first female African-American Mayor of Camden, New Jersey in the December of 2000. Her term began on July 1, 2001. She won reelection in 2005 and served until 2010.

RECOGNIZING FIRST LIEUTENANT  
GRANT HAXTON

**HON. JUDY CHU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize U.S. Army First Lieutenant Grant Haxton for his bravery, heroism, and service to our country. I had the distinct pleasure of meeting Grant when he interned in my Washington, D.C. office in spring 2018.

Grant is an infantry platoon leader with the 82nd Airborne Division, which was deployed in August to the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan as the Taliban closed in on the city. He and his fellow soldiers helped secure the perimeter of the airport for two weeks as they evacuated over 120,000 Americans, Afghan allies, and other vulnerable people to safety. After weeks of selfless dedication to the mission, Grant left on one of the last transport planes out of Kabul. It is thanks to heroes like Grant that our military was able to coordinate one of the largest airlifts in history.

Grant is a 2015 graduate of La Cañada High School, just outside of my congressional district. He was a member of Boy Scout Troop 509 at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 2014. As

a student at the University of Wisconsin—Madison, Grant served as a legislative intern in my Washington, D.C. office. Through this position, he helped respond to constituents over the phone and through mail, greeted visitors in the front office, conducted tours of the U.S. Capitol, and assisted my legislative team with research and administrative support. He is remembered fondly by my staff for his diligent work, sense of humor, and passion for public service.

I commend Grant for his dedication to his community and to his country. I am fortunate to have had such a selfless public servant on my team, and I am proud to see all of Grant's incredible accomplishments since his time in my office.

IN MEMORY OF MABEL KEHINDE  
SODEINDE

**HON. MARC A. VEASEY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Mr. VEASEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and contributions of Mabel Kehinde Sodeinde of Arlington, Texas.

Mabel was a diligent, respectful, and intelligent young woman who lit up the lives of all those around her during the twenty-three years that she spent on this earth. Mabel was a proud 2017 high school graduate of the Uplift Summit International Preparatory and then went on to study at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. During her time at Texas Tech University, Mabel held multiple leadership positions and graduated magna cum laude with dual degrees in both political science and history and numerous honors in 2021.

My office and I had the privilege of getting to know Mabel as a congressional intern in our office in early 2020. She was a great member of our team who worked with both our staffers and the other interns to serve the people of Texas' 33rd District.

Most recently, Mabel was focused on making a difference in the world and advancing civil rights through continuing her education as a first-year student at the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law.

Her loss is devastatingly painful for her family, friends, and all of us who had the privilege to know her during her time on Capitol Hill. Our thoughts and prayers are with her loved ones. We will miss her dearly.

RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENVIVA FACILITY  
IN AHOSKIE, NORTH CAROLINA

**HON. G. K. BUTTERFIELD**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 10th anniversary of the Enviva's flagship facility in Ahoskie, North Carolina, in my congressional district.

Enviva produces renewable wood bioenergy from low-value and residual wood. For the past decade, Enviva has grown to become a valued and trusted member of the community.

The Ahoskie facility has created over 300 jobs and has an economic footprint of \$160 million per year in the area. In total, Enviva has generated 1,800 jobs and nearly \$1 billion in economic output through their four production facilities and port terminal in North Carolina.

Enviva's sustainable forestry practices help fight climate change, strengthen rural communities, create well-paid jobs, and contribute to the health and vitality of North Carolina's beloved forests. It supports North Carolina's forestry industry, purchasing low-grade wood and forestry residuals that would otherwise go to waste or rot in the fields. Their work connects the citizens of my district in the global effort to reduce energy derived from coal and mitigate climate change.

Madam Speaker, Enviva's contributions to the First District and the entire state of North Carolina have been profound. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the 10th anniversary of Enviva's flagship facility in Ahoskie, North Carolina.

CELEBRATING CONEY ISLAND'S  
100TH YEAR IN BUSINESS

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Coney Island's 100th year in business. Coney Island was founded in 1921 by brothers Paul and George Nickolopolous. Through many changes of ownership over the years, Coney Island has remained a staple in the Galesburg community. Current owners Maria Valdez and her son, Jesus Valdez, have operated Coney Island since 2004. Each day, the restaurant serves up its famous Coney Island pork hot dogs with brown mustard and onions, covered in beef sauce. The topsecret recipe has remained largely the same over the years and the grill and dining counter are the originals from 1921. I commend Coney Island for its 100 years serving customers.

It is because of strong businesses such as Coney Island in Galesburg, Illinois that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Coney Island on its 100th Year in business.

IN RECOGNITION OF CYNTHIA  
LEHR'S 26 YEARS OF SERVICE  
TO THE CITY OF GIBRALTAR

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize City Clerk Cynthia A. Lehr on the occasion of her retirement after 26 years of service to the City of Gibraltar, Michigan. Her significant contributions to the Gibraltar community are worthy of commendation.

Clerk Lehr began serving the people of Gibraltar in 1995. She earned her Municipal Clerk Certification from Michigan State University's Municipal Clerk Institute on January 31, 2004. A skilled and accomplished clerk, she was elected Treasurer of the Association of